

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the Paragraph on Pg. 8, line 27 to Pg. 9, line 11 with the below:

In one implementation, electronic business transaction document 54 is represented as a markup language computer file (e.g., an Extensible Extensible Markup Language (XML) computer file) and may include other files (e.g., graphics, scripts, etc.) or links to them. Examples of XML computer files for another electronic business transaction document are set forth in Tables 1 and 2. In these implementations, each electronic business transaction document 54 is contained within a message envelope, as designated by the TsEnvelope tag, for example. The message envelope data structure allows each electronic business transaction document 54 to include indications of the source and recipient of electronic business transaction document 54, as well as a message identifier (MessageId), and a documents tag (<Documents>) identifying one or more business transaction document types (e.g., BuyoutDocument or FaxDocument) included in the electronic business transaction document 54. ~~[[,]] -the communication format~~

Please replace the Paragraph on Pg. 13, line 20 to Pg. 14, line 5 with the below:

In one implementation, network transaction portal 24 is accessible by users, such as parties 10F and 10G, in the manner of an Internet Web site, for example. Computers 12F and 12G could include conventional network browser software for accessing network transaction portal 24 and obtaining electronic business transaction documents 54' therefrom. For example, electronic business transaction document 54 could be a Request for Quote that parties 10F and 10G could obtain and respond to. Electronic business transaction documents 54' are differentiated by their reference numerals from electronic business transaction documents 54 to indicate that the former may optionally be of a different electronic file format from the latter. For example, electronic business transaction documents 54' may be of an HTML file format so as to be accessible with a network browser much like any conventional "Web site" page. It will be appreciated, however, that electronic business transaction documents 54' could also have the same file format (e.g., XML) as electronic business transaction documents 54.

Please replace the Paragraph on Pg. 15, lines 25 to 26, with the below:

Save – saves the document in an XML file and creates an entry in the 'Sent-and Received Log' 'Sent and Received Log'.

Please replace the Paragraph on Pg. 16, line 13, with the below:

View – allows the user to switch between Page and Screen view.

Please replace the Paragraph on Pg. 17, lines 17 to 26, with the below:

Having described and illustrated the principles of our invention with reference to an illustrated embodiment, it will be recognized that the illustrated embodiment can be modified in arrangement and detail without departing from such principles. It should be understood that the programs, processes, or methods described herein are not related or limited to any particular type of computer apparatus, unless indicated otherwise. Various types of a general purpose or specialized computer apparatus may be used with or perform operations in accordance with the teachings described herein. Elements of the illustrated embodiment shown in software may be implemented in hardware and vice versa.